November 22nd 1949

Mr. Wheeler Beckett
New York Youth Concerts
Association Inc.
277 Walnut Street
Englewood, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Beckett:

I've taken up your letter of November 9th with the Music Committee of Riverside Church and the decision, which is unanimous, on the part of the Committee is not to recommend your proposal to the official Boards of the Church for their favorable consideration.

This is an interesting proposal that you make but we all feel that there are many reasons why the proposal would not get favorable consideration in addition to the one or two which I presented to you when we talked.

Nevertheless, we do appreciate your thinking of us and recognize that you have put much careful and thoughtful attention into what you feel would be in our best interests. For this we are deeply grateful.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene Exman:kb

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Mr. Virgil Fox
The Riverside Church
490 Riverside Drive
New York 27, N. Y.

Dear Virgil:

Enclosed is a carbon of a letter which I have written to Mr. Beckett. I hope you feel it is a satisfactory letter even though the decision is not favorable to his proposal.

I hope that sometime you will be playing at Carnegie Hall. I assure you I'll sell a lot of tickets when that time comes.

See you soon, I hope.

Sincerely,

Eugene Exman:kb
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